



# Alcorn County 4-H Newsflash

ALCORN COUNTY

MARCH 2026



**MAR 2** - 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Meeting - 5 pm

**MAR 4** - Sign-up Deadline: Visual Presentation Contest & County Contests Workshop

**MAR 7** - 4-H Visual Presentation Contest - 9 am and 4-H County Contests Workshop to follow

**MAR 10** - Junior 4-H Day Camp

**MAR 12** - Senior 4-H Day Camp

**MAR 13** - State 4-H Ambassador & Council Officer Applications Due

**MAR 16** - Entry Deadline for the 2026 Love & Encouragement 5K T-Shirt Design Contest

**MAR 21** - 4-H Shooting Sports NE Invitational

**MAR 25** - Sign-up Deadline for 4-H County Contests & Share the Fun

**MAR 28** - 4-H County Contests - 9 am - 12 pm

**MAR 28** - 4-H Share the Fun & Clothing Selection Contest - 1 pm

**APR 3** - Extension Office Closed for Good Friday

**APR 6** - 4-H Wildlife Art/Photography due in county office

**APR 6** - 4-H Volunteer Leaders Meeting - 5 pm

**APR 11** - Wildlife Tasting Supper

**APR 16** - 4-H Ambassador Training - 4 -7 pm

**APR 17** - 4-H's Got Talent/4-H Idol Submissions due to State 4-H Office

## 4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS' MEETING

Please join us **Monday, March 2, at 5:00 p.m.** for the monthly 4-H Volunteer Leaders' meeting. Your participation is needed to continue to promote and grow the Alcorn County 4-H program.

## 4-H VISUAL PRESENTATION & CLOVERLEAF EXHIBIT CONTESTS

The 4-H Visual Presentation & Cloverleaf Exhibit Contests will be held **Saturday, March 7, at 9:00 A.M. in the MSU Extension Exhibit Hall.**

The Visual Presentation Contest consists of a demonstrated talk. Therefore, you can dress the part and use visual aides. You **MUST** have at least one poster unless you are using PowerPoint. You can **not** use live animals or firearms for your demonstration, but you can use a picture. Extension Publication 1096, *How to Do a Visual Presentation*, can be found online or picked up at the Extension office.

PowerPoint presentations are encouraged and can be used for junior and senior members, but you should have a back up in case of technological difficulties. A five-point penalty will be applied to any visual that is less than 3 minutes or exceeds 10 minutes. **Age Categories include: Junior I Ages 10 & 11, Junior II Ages 12 & 13, and Senior Ages 14-18.**

**Youth ages 5-9 can participate in the Cloverleaf Exhibit Contest** rather than visual presentation. The Cloverleaf exhibit consists of an exhibit related to the 4-Her's project and an interview by the judges. The exhibit must be made or produced by the 4-H member and relate to his or her 4-H project. It should have a **title sign** displayed on front or set on top of the table, **along with materials related to the project.** 4-H members should be knowledgeable about their project. **Story boards will NOT be accepted. Please do not use your reading or science fair project board.** Publication 1653, *Participating in the Mississippi 4-H Cloverleaf Exhibit*, is available online or may be picked up at the Extension office.

Please contact the Extension office if you have any questions. **The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, March 4.** We need at least 10 registered to offer these contests.



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# 4-H Contests Workshop



**Saturday, March 7**  
following the Visual Presentation Contest

Come learn about the various contests available through 4-H. If you would like to participate please call the Extension office by **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4** to let us know which contest areas you are interested in.

### JUDGING CONTESTS

- Clothing Selection & Construction
- Electric Judging
- Forestry Judging
- Horticulture Judging (Seniors)
- Horticulture Skill-A-Thon (Juniors)
- Photography Judging
- Poultry Judging
- Seed Identification (Seniors)

### GENERAL CONTESTS

- Bicycle
- Insect Collection (Juniors)
- Interior Design
- Modeling Squad

Contact the Extension office at 662-286-7756 for questions or to sign up.

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# Spring Break Day Camps



Spring into hands-on learning, creativity, and exciting activities with 4-H! Youth will explore new skills, make friends, and enjoy a full day of engaging workshops.

### JUNIOR DAY CAMP (for ages 5-13)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10**

- Prep Rally™ (Emergency Preparedness)
- Shooting Sports (Archery & Slingshot)
- Creative Arts
- Archeology/Geology

### SENIOR DAY CAMP (for ages 14-18)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12**

- Wood Working
- Shooting Sports (Archery & Slingshot)
- Intro to Entrepreneurship
- Creative Arts



**LOCATION:** MSU Extension Alcorn County  
2200 Levee Rd, Corinth MS

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**REGISTRATION:** \$10 per participant  
(includes snacks, lunch, & supplies)

**CONTACT INFORMATION**  
(662) 286-7756  
ext-alcorn@lists.msstate.edu

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER:**  
Wednesday, March 4  
(space is limited)



## 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS NE INVITATIONAL

**Saturday, March 21**  
CRSSA Range (Glen, MS)

Registration information  
will be available soon.

## 4-H SHARE THE FUN CONTEST

The 4-H Share the Fun Talent Contest will be held **Saturday, March 28, beginning at 1:00 p.m.** Divisions include: vocal, instrumental, dance, drama/reading, and combination. The age divisions are: Cloverbud ages 5-7, Junior ages 8-13 & Senior ages 14-18. You may participate as an individual and/or a group. However, group acts must include 4-Her's from the same age division.



### CONTEST RULES:

- Group acts consist of 2—8 4-H members
- All acts should be 3—5 minutes in length.
- Individual acts may have one accompanist

Participants must pre-register by calling the Extension office by Wednesday, March 25.

## 4-H COUNTY CONTESTS

4-H County Contests will be held **Saturday, March 28**. Contests will be set up from **9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**



The following county contests will be offered.

Cloverbud and Cloverleaf ages 5-9: Horticulture Judging, Entomology Judging, Photography Judging, and Clothing Selection.

Junior and Senior ages 10-18: Poultry Judging, Electrical Judging, Horticulture Skill-A-Thon & Judging, Forestry Judging, Seed Identification, Clothing Selection, Clothing Construction, Photography, Insect Collection (Juniors), Interior Design, and Bicycle.

**Please call to sign up for the contests you plan to participate in by Wednesday, March 25.** If no one has registered for a contest by the deadline, that contest will not be offered.



**REMINDER**  
**Alcorn County 4-H  
Scholarship Deadline**  
**Wednesday, April 1, 2026**



## MISSISSIPPI 4-H WILDLIFE ART & PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

The MS 4-H Wildlife Art & Photography Contest is a great opportunity for you to showcase your talents.

### Art Categories include:

Pastels/Charcoal/Graphite/Colored Pencil (Abstract or Realistic), Oil/Acrylic/Watercolor (Abstract or Realistic), Pen/Ink/Markers/Crayon (Abstract or Realistic), Cartoon, Sculpture/3-D, and Mixed/Altered Media.

### Photography Categories are:

Action, Non-Action, Human Interest. (Digital Only) Photos should be 5" x 7" format in plastic sleeve.

**Age divisions:** 8-13 years old, 14-18 years old

The top three entries in each category from each District go on to be judged on the State Level. Entries from each of the top three entries in the State will be displayed at the Mississippi Wildlife Exposition in late summer.



Contact the Extension office for a detailed list of the rules and regulations. **Entries must be turned in to the county 4-H office by Monday, April 6.**

## WILDLIFE TASTING SUPPER

Saturday, April 11, 2026

4:00 p.m.

**HELP NEEDED!**



If you are a volunteer or have a 4-Her who will be assisting with the supper, please contact the Extension office by **Wednesday, April 8**. 4-H Ambassadors are strongly encouraged to assist with this event. We need help manning the 4-H booth (i.e., booth and selling raffle tickets), registering/transporting dishes, and serving food. Please come to the main entrance no later than 4:00 p.m. if you plan to help.

### 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,  
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,  
my **HANDS** to larger service,  
and my **HEALTH** to better living,  
for my club, my community,  
my country, and my world.



## 4-H Club Meetings

### 4-H CLOVERBUD CLUB

Mondays, March 16 & April 20,  
5:30 p.m.

### 4-H LIVESTOCK CLUB

Mondays, March 23 & April 27,  
5:30 p.m.

### CLOVER KIDZ-WEST 4-H CLUB

Wednesdays, March 4 & April 1, 3:30  
p.m. at Tishomingo Chapel  
Baptist Church

### CRAFTY CRITTERS 4-H CLUB

Thursdays, March 19 & April 9, 5:00 -  
6:00 p.m.

### EAGLE 4-H CLUB

Tuesdays, March 3 & April 7,  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

### LIFE SKILLS 4-H CLUB

Thursdays, March 26 & April 23,  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

### PET PALS 4-H CLUB

Saturdays, March 21 & April 18,  
2:00 p.m.

### STEM/ROBOTICS 4-H CLUB

Tuesdays, March 17 & April 14,  
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.



*All club meetings are held at the Extension office unless otherwise stated. Occasionally dates must be changed. We make every effort to notify club members when this happens. Make sure you are listed in each club you participate in. Please note that if the schools close due to inclement weather, 4-H activities will be cancelled.*

## SPRING WORD SEARCH

A T G S P R I N G T I M E R H  
 B U T T E R F L I E S S M U O  
 J Z H F B B B J C S M H A C R  
 Y W D U H N H J G E O Y G A T  
 Q K I G M E E O O E W R N T P  
 B N Y L A M E C N D I E O E L  
 L E W V D R I Q T S N B L R A  
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| Birds       | Extension    | Mowing   | Showers    |
| Blossoms    | Flowers      | Nectar   | Springtime |
| Butterflies | Gardening    | Planting | Wildflower |
| Caterpillar | Hummingbirds | Rebirth  |            |
| Easter      | Magnolia     | Seeds    |            |

## SUET BALLS FOR BIRDS

### Ingredients:

- Seed for birds
- Lard

### Supplies:

- Gloves

### Instructions:

1. Mix one part seed to two parts fat.
2. Mix all ingredients together and combine with gloved hands, squeezing until well combined.
3. Shape mixture into balls or blocks and refrigerate to set before adding to feeders.



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